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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 4 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Iraq (S/1997/935, S/1997/942 and S/1997/951)*

Briefing by the Secretary-General

Other matters

Morning**	3839th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force pursuant to Security Council resolution 1110 (1997) (S/1997/911 and Add.1)

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* Followed by a formal meeting following the adjournment of the 3839th meeting.

** Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.	62nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	63rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [59]:

(a) Draft resolution (A/52/L.7);

(b) Amendment (A/52/L.47).

Informal consultations

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Informal Consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and all its sub-items conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

   Action on draft resolutions contained in documents A/52/3 and E/1997/49, and on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.28 and L.41

2. Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

   (b) Trade and development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.23/Rev.1

3. Sectoral policy questions [96]

   (a) Industrial development cooperation

   Action of draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.16 and L.40

4. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   (d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.20 and L.37

   (f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.19 and L.42

5. Operational activities for development [99]

   (a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.5 and L.46

   (b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.9 and L.44

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.-4.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/52/L.11 (item 97 (a)); A/C.2/52/L.17 (item 97 (g)); A/C.2/52/L.18 (item 97 (e)); A/C.2/52/L.20 (item 98 (d)); A/C.2/52/L.21 (item 98 (c)); A/C.2/52/L.22 (item 98 (b)); A/C.2/52/L.25 (item 98 (e)); A/C.2/52/L.27 (item 97 (f)); A/C.2/52/L.29 (item 98 (g)); and A/C.2/52/L.31 (item 97 (h))

4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/52/L.4 (item 95 (a)); A/C.2/52/L.3 (item 95 (c)); A/C.2/52/L.8 (item 95 (d)); A/C.2/52/L.13 (item 96 (b)); A/C.2/52/L.24 (item 95 (b)); and A/C.2/52/L.32 (item 100)

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* Following the adjournment of the 47th meeting of the Second committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	36th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [135] (A/C.5/52/4 and Corr.1, A/51/976, A/52/520 and A/52/696)

   Conclusion of general discussion

2. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [137] (A/C.5/52/13, A/52/30, A/52/520 and A/52/697)

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (United Nations common system (A/52/30, A/52/439, A/C.5/52/18 and A/C.5/52/22))

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

Afternoon**-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 119 (Pattern of conferences (A/52/32 and Corr.1 (Chinese only) and Add.1, A/51/946 and Corr.1 (Russian only), A/52/215 and Add.1, A/52/216 and Add.1, A/52/291, A/52/340 and Add.1 and A/C.5/52/CRP.1))

6.30 p.m.-9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (United Nations common system (A/52/30, A/52/439, A/C.5/52/18 and A/C.5/52/22))

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* Following the adjournment of the 36th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the informal consultations on agenda item 120.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

WORKING GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	open meeting	Conference Room 1

WORKING GROUP ON PENALTIES

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	open meeting	Conference Room 1

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Draft reports

2. United Nations Mission of Observers in Tadjikistan (UNMOT)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 4 December 1997

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft resolutions A/C.2/52/L.21, L.22, L.25 and L.29)

10 a.m.- 11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE
OF THE MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES
AND THE GROUP OF 77

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the scale of assessments)

6 p.m.- 6.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(briefing by the Coordinators on the current resolutions under negotiation)

6 p.m.- 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Announcement

As from *today*, 4 December 1997, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place *at 1.15 p.m. or upon completion of the Council's deliberations*, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 5 December 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. 64th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [59]:

(a) Draft resolution (A/52/L.7);

(b) Amendment (A/52/L.47).

3 p.m. 65th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament obligations: report of the First Committee (A/52/591) [62].

2. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/52/592) [63].

3. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/52/593) [64].

4. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/52/594) [65].

5. The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/52/595) [66].

6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/52/596) [67].

7. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia: report of the First Committee (A/52/597) [68].

8. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/52/598) [69].

9. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/52/599) [70].

10. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/52/600) [71].

11. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/52/601) [72].

12. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/52/602) [73].

13. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/52/603) [74].

14. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/52/604) [75].

15. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/52/605) [76].

16. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace: report of the First Committee (A/52/606) [77].

17. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco): report of the First Committee (A/52/607) [78].

18. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/52/608) [79].

19. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/52/609) [80].

20. Maintenance of international security: report of the First Committee (A/52/610) [81].

21. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security: report of the First Committee (A/52/611) [82].

22. Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee: report of the First Committee (A/52/612) [83].

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	1st meeting (resumed)	Conference Room 8

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

United Nations reform: measures and proposals (item 157)

Informal Consultations on the draft proposal under item 157 will continue under the conduct of H.E. Mr. Legwaila Joseph Legwaila (Botswana) and H.E. Mr. John Campbell (Ireland) on Friday, 5 December 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1997

Consultations will take place under the Chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Gerhard Walter Henze (Germany) on Tuesday, 9 December 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, and on Wednesday, 10 December, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6, on the selection of themes for the high-level and coordination segments of the substantive session of 1998, as well as a principal theme or themes for consideration at the high-level meeting of the operational activities segment of the substantive session of 1998 (E/1997/91, E/1997/92 and Add.1).

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The next meeting of the ad hoc informal open-ended support group to assist the Commission for Social Development in the preparations for the International Year of Older Persons will take place on Friday, 5 December 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. Delegates are invited to present information on developments at the national level in preparation for the year.

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COMMISSION ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

There will be briefing by the Chairman of the Commission for Social Development on the preparations for the next session of the Commission on Tuesday, 9 December 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on the *Human Development Report 1998* on Monday, 15 December 1997, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited.

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Informal meetings

In the context of the Presidential Statement (S/PRST/1997/ 46) adopted by the Ministerial Meeting of the Security Council on Africa on 25 September 1997, and the 1 November 1995 report of the Secretary-General on Improving Preparedness for Conflict Prevention and Peacekeeping in Africa (S/1995/ 911-A/50/711), the Secretariat is convening a meeting on enhancing African capacity for peacekeeping. The meeting, which is open to all interested Member States and will be chaired by Mr. Bernard Miyet, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, will be held on Friday, 5 December 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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The Department of Economic and Social Affairs will hold an ad hoc expert group meeting on "Groundwater Management Perspectives: the distribution of environmental and socio-economic factors and the search for sustainable groundwater management" on Thursday, 11 December 1997, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Training seminar

The Microeconomic and Social Analysis Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will organize a Training Seminar on the subject "Globalization and Taxation". The Seminar will be conducted by Prof. Altshuler (Columbia University/Rutgers University) on Tuesday, 9 December 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B. Interested staff members afre invited to attend.

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Presentation

Mr. John Vereker, Permanent Under Secretary at the British Government Department for International Development (DFID), will give a presentation on the British Government's White Paper "Eliminating World Poverty: A Challenge for the 21st Century" on Tuesday, 9 December 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The meeting will be presided by H.E. Mr. Stephen Gomerall, Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

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Orientation course on the Security Council for members of the Council

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing an orientation course on the Security Council for members of the Council from Monday 8 to Thursday, 11 December 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent representatives of those States that will be members of the Council in 1998. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 3 December 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

60th plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/695) [16 (d)]

The President informed the General Assembly that, with regard to the Secretary-General's wish to nominate Mr. Klaus Töpfer Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1998, he had been advised by the Secretary-General that the effective date for the beginning of the term of office should be adjusted to 1 February 1998.

The Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, elected Mr. Klaus Töpfer as Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme for a four-year term beginning on 1 February 1998.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya and Pakistan.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 16.

The situation in the Middle East [37]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/52/467, A/52/581)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/52/L.54, L.55 and L.62)

(c) Amendments (A/52/L.63)

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Israel, Indonesia, Kuwait, Turkey, Brunei Darussalam, Ukraine, Senegal, Malaysia, Belarus, Argentina, Ghana, Cuba, Egypt, the Republic of Korea, Yemen and Japan.

61st plenary meeting

The situation in the Middle East [37]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/52/467, A/52/581);

(b) Draft resolutions (A/52/L.54, L.55, L.62);

(c) Amendments (A/52/L.63)

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Australia, Jordan, Thailand, Cyprus, the United States, Norway and Lebanon.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic, Israel and Lebanon.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly that there was a general agreement to postpone to Tuesday, 9 December the introduction of and action on all the draft resolutions and amendments submitted under agenda item 36 (Question of Palestine) and under agenda item 37 (The situation in the Middle East), at a time to be announced in the *Journal*.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 3 DECEMBER 1997

50th (closed) meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 16 of the Convention [6]

The Committee concluded, in private meeting, its consideration of the second periodic report of the Dominican Republic (E/1990/6/Add.7) and continued its consideration of the third periodic report of Iraq (E/1994/104/Add.9).

51st meeting

Substantive issues arising in the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights [3]

The Committee considered and adopted the report on its mission to the Dominican Republic.

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Corrigendum

Corrigendum to the summary of the 217th meeting of the Disarmament Commission (No. 1997/233, p. 9): the first paragraph under *Organizational matters* should read as follows:

The Commission decided that the 1998 substantive session would be held from 6 to 28 April 1998. The representative of Sweden made a statement.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, adopted on 23 May 1997 at the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982

Signature: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (3 December 1997)

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction, opened for signature at Paris on 13 January 1993

Ratification: Venezuela (3 December 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 4 December 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Screening of films

In commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of a series of films until Friday, 5 December 1997 at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, at 1 p.m. as follows:

Today, 4 December "Then and Now"

Friday, 5 December "Seeds of War in Jerusalem"

Exhibition

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibition entitled "At Home in Palestine," in commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. The exhibition will be displayed at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building until Sunday, 7 December 1997.

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International Day of Disabled Persons

Exhibition

The Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in cooperation with the Department for Public Information and the Very Special Arts organization, affiliated with the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (Washington, D.C.), will present an exhibition entitled "A Very Special Arts Exhibit". The exhibition will continue until 5 January 1998 in the First Basement of the General Assembly Building (at the "Viennese Cafe").

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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